

A photograph of four Black graduates in black caps and gowns, smiling and looking towards the camera. The graduates are wearing stoles with yellow and blue stripes. The background is a blurred blue.

**BLACK STUDENT
EXPERIENCE**



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When you attend UC Riverside, you attend a school where black students graduate at a rate higher than any other college in California (and any other group on campus). You attend the first UC with an office dedicated to black student support. You're on a minority majority campus where more than half of the students are the first in their families to go to college and nearly half qualify as low income.

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UC RIVERSIDE

“[Attending UCR is] the best decision I made when it came to academics.”



SAVANNAH RICHARDSON

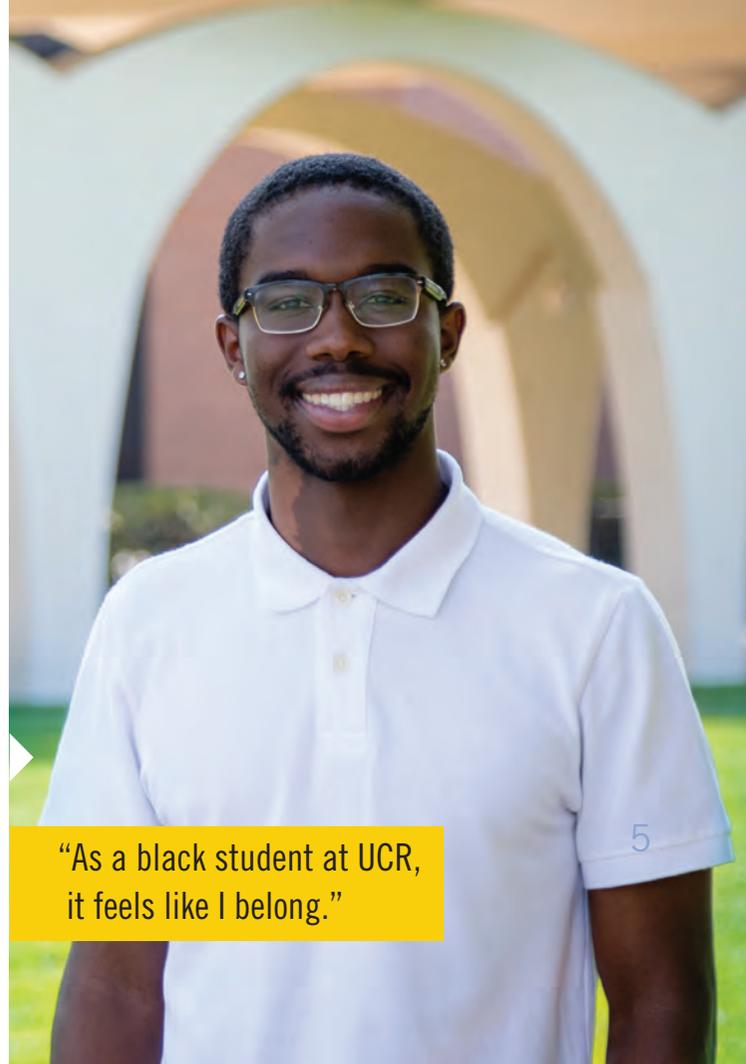
Senior Transfer Student, Sociology

I wanted to be a part of a school that supported my academic journey. It's the best decision I made when it came to academics. Being a part of the ORBITS (Obtain Resources, Become Informed, Target Success) community [for transfer students] through the Career Center was key to tailoring myself to the university experience, as well as [developing] tools to navigate the career field.

JOSIAH DAVIS

Junior, Cell Molecular Biology

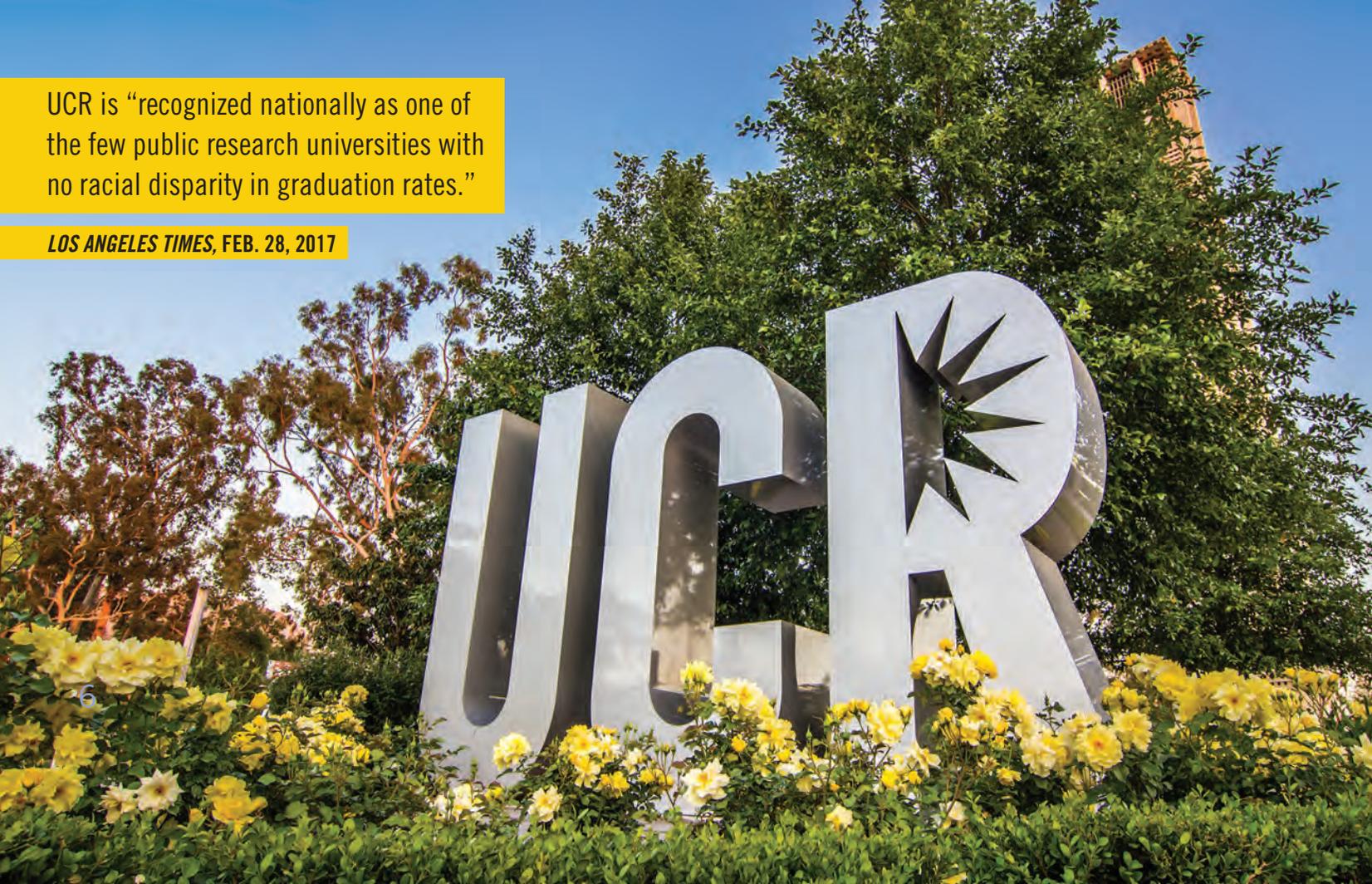
As a black student at UCR, it feels like I belong. I feel part of the UCR community. I found people I could relate to socially and intellectually, as well as people who shared my goals and aspirations. When deciding what university to choose, after looking at the academics and programs to see if the school was right for me, I asked myself one final question, "Do I feel comfortable here as a black student?" The answer was, "Yes."



"As a black student at UCR,
it feels like I belong."

UCR is “recognized nationally as one of the few public research universities with no racial disparity in graduation rates.”

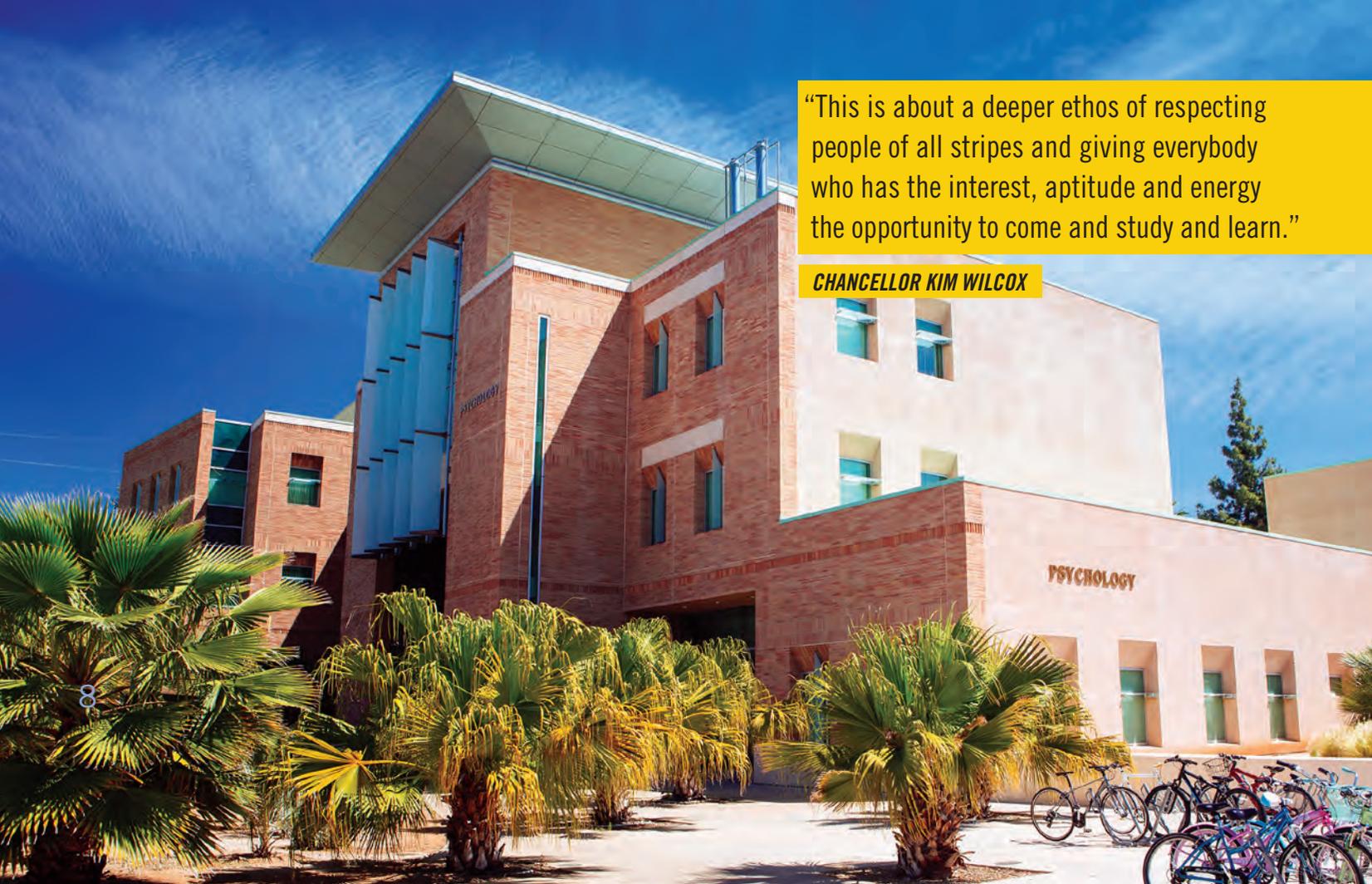
LOS ANGELES TIMES, FEB. 28, 2017



A NATIONAL LEADER

At UCR, black students have closed the graduation gap. Black students at UCR graduate at a rate higher than white students. We're proud to be a national leader for promoting black student success. Inspiring mentors, close community connections and supportive programs help our black scholars succeed.





“This is about a deeper ethos of respecting people of all stripes and giving everybody who has the interest, aptitude and energy the opportunity to come and study and learn.”

CHANCELLOR KIM WILCOX

WE RANK HIGH IN WHAT MATTERS.

RANKINGS

#3 in the nation for producing the most altruistic/community-service-minded students — Pillrs.com, 2017

#13 best university in the West — *Money Magazine*
Best Colleges for Your Money 2018

#28 in the nation based on social mobility, research and service — *Washington Monthly* 2018 College Guide and Rankings

#32 best college in America — *Money Magazine* Best Colleges for Your Money 2018

#35 best public school in the country — *U.S. News & World Report*
2019 Best College Rankings

#40 in the nation for faculty receiving significant awards — *Washington Monthly* 2018 College Guide and Rankings

#60 in the nation for faculty in national academies — *Washington Monthly* 2018 College Guide and Rankings

#85 best national university — *U.S. News & World Report*
2019 Best College Rankings

America's fastest rising ranked university

— *U.S. News & World Report*
2019 Best College Rankings

One of America's Best Value Colleges

— *Forbes America's Best Value Colleges* 2018

Top 100 safest colleges in the nation

— *Alarms.org*, 2017

WORK CLOSELY WITH BRILLIANT FACULTY.



Fred Moten

Professor of English • National Book Award Finalist • Los Angeles Times Book Prize Finalist Guggenheim Fellow

Moten is an acclaimed poet and theorist conducting research in black studies at the intersection of performance, poetry and critical theory.



Victor G. J. Rodgers

Jacques S. Yeager Sr. Professor of Bioengineering • Director, B2K Group • Distinguished Engineering Educator of the Year, The Engineers' Council

Rodgers uses science to make the world a better place by creating highly effective polymer nanoparticles that work to deliver therapeutic drugs to targeted sites in the body.



Rickerby Hinds

Professor of Playwriting • Winner of three NAACP Theatre Awards • Winner of two Audrey Skirball-Kenis (ASK) Awards (Best Play)

Hinds' work includes *Daze to Come*, the first full-length play to use hip-hop as the language of the stage, and *Dreamscape*, a world-renowned play about a local 19-year-old girl killed by police (now a film: *My Name is Myeisha*).



Deborah Deas

Mark and Pam Rubin Dean of the School of Medicine • Chief Executive Officer for Clinical Affairs • Winner of INSIGHT Into Diversity's Giving Back Award

Keenly aware of the need to provide medical services to underserved communities, Deas has dedicated her life to serving those who need help most, and to educating the next generation of physicians who want to serve the communities that they call home.

A portrait of David Ifebiba, a young Black man with a short beard and glasses, wearing a blue button-down shirt and a black bow tie. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred indoor setting with warm lighting.

DAVID IFEBIBA

Junior, Biology

UC LEADS (University of California's Leadership Excellence through Advanced DegreeS) is a two-year research program that allows me to conduct my first year of research at UCR and then my second year of research at any University of California campus of my choice. The benefits include GRE classes, networking with students from all over the world and the ability to be published in two prestigious institutions. So far I have conducted psychology research under [Psychology Professor] Carolyn Murray on the impact of discrimination within the healthcare field. The greatest benefits are the friends I have made and the strengthening of the relationship between me and my professor.

BEYOND THE BOOKS

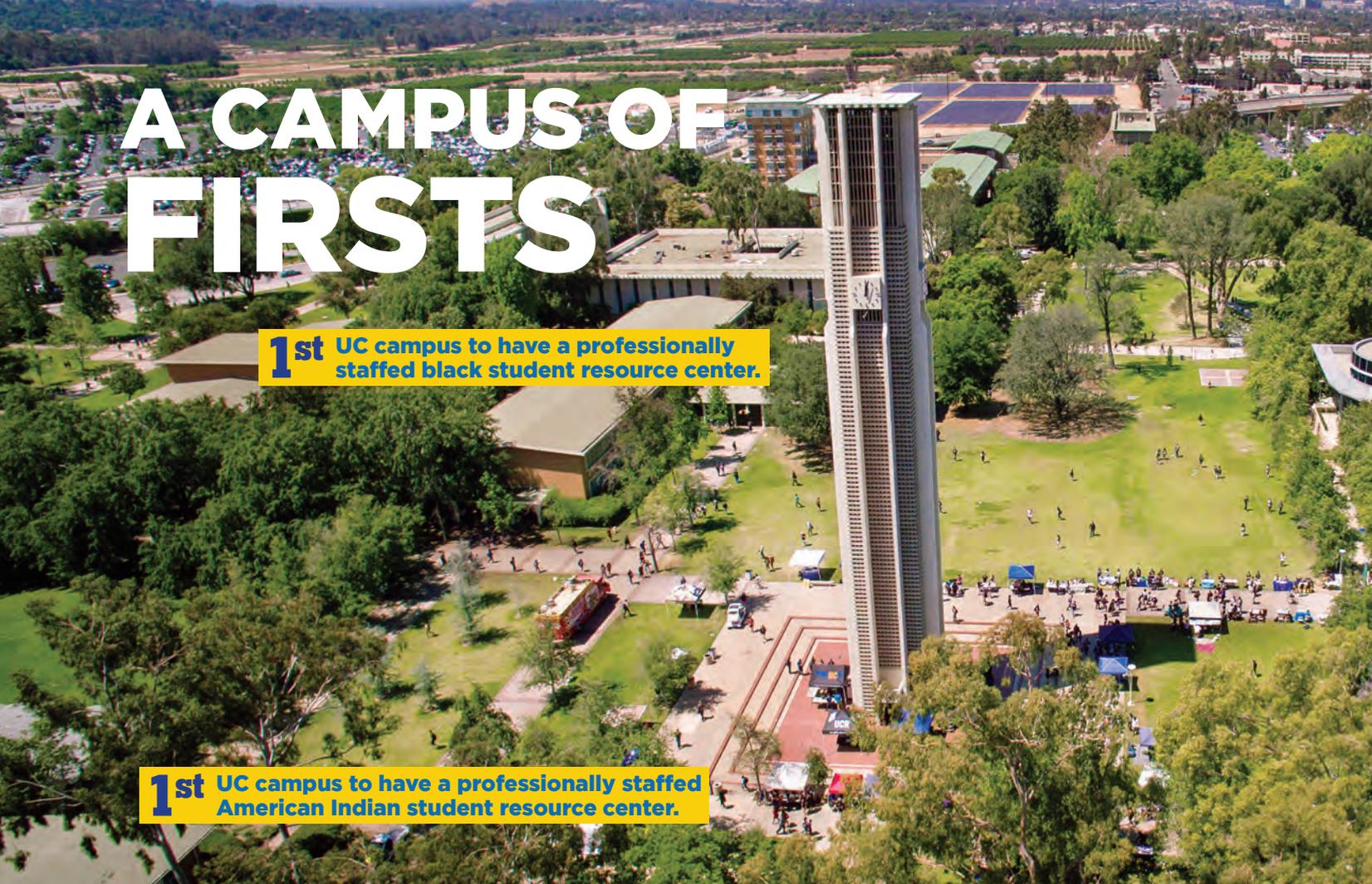




Packed events, big-time athletics and crazy-fun concerts electrify student life at UCR. Learn more: rside.ucr.edu • gohighlanders.ucr.edu



◀ Run, climb, lift weights and swim at your incredible Student Recreation Center. Learn more: recreation.ucr.edu

An aerial photograph of a university campus. The central focus is a tall, slender clock tower with a grid-like facade. To the left of the tower is a large, modern building with a flat roof. The foreground and middle ground are dominated by lush green lawns and numerous trees. In the background, there are more campus buildings, parking lots, and a highway. The overall scene is bright and sunny.

A CAMPUS OF FIRSTS

1st UC campus to have a professionally staffed black student resource center.

1st UC campus to have a professionally staffed American Indian student resource center.



1st professionally staffed Middle Eastern student resource center in the nation.

1st public university in the nation to offer gender-neutral housing.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE

Founded in 1954

Part of the prestigious University of California system

Located in Riverside, California (60 miles east of Los Angeles)

Top 10 “Coolest Cities” in the U.S. (*Forbes*)

Top 10 “Fastest-Growing Economies” in the U.S. (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

23,000+ students

1,200 park-like acres

277 sunny days per year

LIVE IN PURE SUNSHINE.

HOUSING

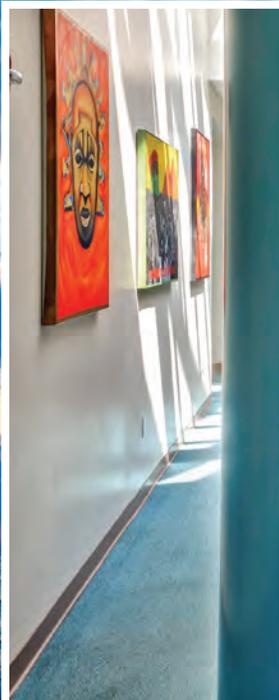


When you live at UCR, you're within driving distance of the best beaches, mountains, deserts and cities in Southern California.

Explore UCR! Schedule a tour (or take a virtual one): visit.ucr.edu



Live in the Pan-African Theme Hall (PATH) and connect with fellow scholars who share your goals. Attend exclusive networking events, workshops, hall dinners and field trips. Additional theme halls and seamless living-learning communities are Stonewall, Gender-Inclusive, Markaz, Únete a Mundo, Honors, CHASS, Egnuity, SiMS and Pre-Business.



Learn more: housing.ucr.edu



MAKE FRIENDS AND MEET HEROES.

ORGANIZATIONS AND EVENTS

African Student Programs (ASP) asp.ucr.edu

As the first staffed, physical office in the UC devoted to black student services, ASP has supported black UCR students for nearly 50 years. It will connect you to everything from leadership and research opportunities, to peer mentor programs and professional internships. ASP events include Black Graduation, Black Queens Week, Black History Month and more.

Be inspired.

PAST SPEAKERS

Misty Copeland

President of Ghana

John Dramani Mahama

Angela Davis

Maya Angelou

Roxane Gay

Make memories.

EVENTS

Yard Show

BlaqOUT Conference

Black History Month

Black Queens Week

Culture Shows

Black Graduation

Be active.

CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

Abyssinian Student Union

Caribbean Student Union

Ghanaian Student Union

Helping the Hyphy

Nigerian Student Association

SOCIAL JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS

Black Student Union

Brothers Leading African

Americans through

Consciousness and Knowledge

(B.L.A.A.C.K.)

Sisters Affirming our Socio-

Cultural Identities (S.A.S.I.)

ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS

*African-Americans United in
Science*

*National Black Law Student
Association*

*National Society of Black
Engineers*

Umoja at UCR

Rush and pledge.

NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

*Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.,
Kappa Theta Chapter*

*Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.,
Eta Zeta Chapter*

*Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.,
Mu Chi Chapter*

*Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc.,
Xi Rho Chapter*





WE SEE YOU. WE HEAR YOU. WE SUPPORT YOU.

From our historic Ethnic & Gender Programs offices, to our forward-thinking Student Health & Wellness Services — you have a safety net at UCR. So many people are here for you, ready to be your advocates, your encouragers, your listeners and your guides.

Ethnic & Gender Programs

African Student Programs (ASP)	asp.ucr.edu
Asian Pacific Student Programs (APSP)	apsp.ucr.edu
Chicano Student Programs (CSP)	csp.ucr.edu
LGBT Resource Center (LGBTRC)	out.ucr.edu
Middle Eastern Student Programs (MESOC)	mesoc.ucr.edu
Native American Student Programs (NASP)	nasp.ucr.edu
Undocumented Student Programs (USP)	usp.ucr.edu
Women's Resource Center (WRC)	wrc.ucr.edu

More Student Support Services

Academic Resource Center (ARC)	arc.ucr.edu
Career Center	careers.ucr.edu
Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)	counseling.ucr.edu
Education Abroad	ea.ucr.edu
Highlander One-Stop Shop (HOSS)	hoss.ucr.edu
International Students & Scholars (ISS) Office	internationalscholars.ucr.edu
New Student Programs	studentlife.ucr.edu/welcome-new-highlanders
R'Pantry	go.ucr.edu/RPantry
Student Affairs Case Management	casemanagement.ucr.edu
Student Disability Resource Center (SDRC)	sdrc.ucr.edu
Student Health Services (SHS)	studenthealth.ucr.edu
Student Recreation Center (SRC)	recreation.ucr.edu
Transfer Success Program	go.ucr.edu/TransferSuccess
University Honors	honors.ucr.edu
Veterans Services	studentlife.ucr.edu/veterans
The Well	well.ucr.edu

APPLYING IS EASY.

Freshman Students

Admission Requirements

- 15 completed “a-g” high school courses
- GPA of 3.0 or higher (3.4 non-resident) in “a-g” (grades C or above)
- Scores from ACT with Writing, SAT or SAT with Essay. SAT Subject Tests are optional.
- Learn more about the “a-g” requirements: hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist

Transfer Students

Admission Requirements

- 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units with minimum 2.4 GPA (2.8 non-resident). (Some majors require a higher GPA.) 14 semester (21 quarter) units may be Pass/Not Pass.
- Completed (with C’s or better) **UC Seven Course Pattern**: two English, one math, four from two of: arts/humanities, social/behavioral science, physical/biological science. Classes must be transferable and at least three semester (four to five quarter) units. Track your progress: go.ucr.edu/Transfer

- Use [ASSIST.org](https://assist.org) to find out if your classes will transfer and see the prerequisites and minimum GPA for your major (all transferable coursework will be taken into account).
- Did you know that by meeting certain requirements, you can guarantee your transfer admission to UCR? Learn more: go.ucr.edu/tag

How to Apply (All Students)

1. Gather transcripts, test scores, income, social security number (if applicable), payment method, and activities and achievements notes.
2. Answer the personal insight questions (four out of eight questions for freshman; one required and an additional three out of seven questions for transfer students).
3. For fall admission, freshman and transfer students can access the UC application beginning Aug. 1, and submit it Nov. 1–30. Transfer students can also apply for winter admission, accessing the application beginning July 1 and submitting it by July 31. You may apply to waive the \$70 fee.
4. Print your receipt and watch for an email about how to access your MyUCR admission portal account — the fastest way to check your admission status.

A high-angle photograph of two young women sitting at a white, speckled table. The woman on the left is wearing a dark blue hoodie and glasses, resting her head on her hand. The woman on the right is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and glasses, pointing at a laptop screen. The laptop is open on the table. The background is a bright, white wall.

TURN YOUR PASSION INTO YOUR PROFESSION.

Choose from over 150 majors, three colleges and four schools schools — including the newest medical school in the UC system.

Find your program: admissions.ucr.edu/academics

Apply Today!

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WE CARE ABOUT YOUR DREAMS, NOT YOUR WALLET.

Every student who dreams big and works hard — regardless of income — should be able to graduate from the greatest public university system in the world. That's why we will do everything we can to help you pay for school.

Apply for financial aid no matter what.

Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year at fafsa.ed.gov by March 2 to qualify for aid. If you're an undocumented California resident, complete the California Dream Act Application at dream.csac.ca.gov by the March 2 deadline. If you attended high school or community college in California, make sure your school completes your Cal Grant GPA Verification Form so you can qualify for the Cal Grant.

It costs less than you think.

At UCR, 91 percent of undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid, and 73 percent of those who receive aid have their full fees covered by grants and/or scholarships — funds that don't need to be paid back! Visit go.ucr.edu/estimate to see what aid you could qualify for at UCR.

California Resident Tuition & Fees:	\$15,565
Non-Resident Tuition & Fees:	\$45,319
Room & Board:	\$6,000–\$16,000

These are estimates based on average student expenses. Actual charges are subject to change. Get the details at admissions.ucr.edu/cost.

Please Note: *Some or all instruction for all or part of academic year 2020–21 may be delivered remotely. Tuition and mandatory fees have been set regardless of the method of instruction and will not be refunded in the event instruction occurs remotely for any part of the academic year.*

UCR distributed more than \$455 million in grant, loan, work-study and scholarship aid for the 2017–18 academic year to undergraduate students.

WAYS TO PAY

Complete a FAFSA by March 2 each year at fafsa.ed.gov and make sure your Cal Grant GPA Verification Form is submitted to the California Student Aid Commission by your high school or community college to apply for the most aid.

Dreamers: If you are an undocumented California resident, complete a CA Dream Act application at dream.csac.ca.gov by March 2 each year and make sure your Cal Grant GPA Verification Form is submitted to the California Student Aid Commission by your high school or community college to apply for the most aid.

If you qualify, the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan covers **100 percent of your systemwide tuition and fees!**

Learn more: universityofcalifornia.edu/blueandgold.

If you qualify, the Middle Class Scholarship covers **up to 40 percent of your systemwide tuition and fees.** Learn more: csac.ca.gov/mcs.asp

Learn about scholarships for black students:

asp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarships

You are automatically considered for scholarships when you apply to UCR, including the Regents' Scholarship (up to \$10,000 per year) and the Non-Resident Achievement Scholarship (up to \$4,500 per quarter).

Learn more about how to pay for school without going into debt: financialaid.ucr.edu

DATES & DEADLINES

Aug. 1 Freshman and Transfer Students: Access the UC application for fall admission.

Oct. 1 Access the FAFSA (or CA Dream Act application) and GPA form.

Nov. 1–30 Submit your UC application for fall admission.

Nov. 30 Deadline to submit your UC application for fall admission.

March Admission notifications begin for fall admission.

March 2 Deadline to submit your FAFSA or California Dream Act application and GPA form.

May 1 **Freshman Students:** Deadline to submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) for fall admission.

June 1 **Transfer Students:** Deadline to submit your SIR for fall admission.

July 1 Transfer Students: Access the UC application for winter admission.

July 30 Deadline to submit your UC application for winter admission.

Sept. Admission notifications begin for winter admission.

Oct. 15 Deadline to submit your SIR for winter admission.



In 2005, UCR and John W. North High School students created this mural in the African Student Programs office to honor Riverside leaders who embody the spirit of Martin Luther King Jr.



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“I wanted to be a part of a school that supported my **academic journey.”**

Savannah Richardson, Senior

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